

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the present application.

Listing of Claims:

1. **(Currently Amended)** Iron- and vitamin-enriched rice or barley, wherein rice grains or barley grains are coated with an emulsifying agent-coated iron salt composition and vitamins, and further coated with a mixture of a hydrogenated oil and a polyglycerol fatty acid ester, wherein the emulsifying agent-coated iron salt has an average particle diameter of ~~2 μ m or less~~ from 0.05 to 0.8 μ m.

2. **(Currently Amended)** Iron-enriched rice or barley, wherein rice grains or barley grains are coated with a mixture comprising an iron salt, a hydrogenated oil and a polyglycerol fatty acid ester, wherein the iron salt has an average particle diameter of ~~2 μ m or less~~ from 0.05 to 0.5 μ m.

3. **(Currently Amended)** Iron- and vitamin-enriched rice or barley, wherein rice grains or barley grains are coated with a mixture comprising an emulsifying agent-coated iron salt composition, vitamins, a hydrogenated oil and a polyglycerol fatty acid ester, wherein the emulsifying agent-coated iron salt has an average particle diameter of ~~2 μ m or less~~ from 0.05 to 0.8 μ m.

4-6. (Canceled)

7. **(Previously Presented)** The enriched rice or barley according to claim 1, wherein the emulsifying agent is at least one selected from the group consisting of a sucrose fatty acid ester, a glycerol fatty acid ester, a propylene glycol fatty acid ester, a sorbitan fatty acid ester and an enzymatically decomposed lecithin.

8. **(Previously Presented)** The enriched rice or barley according to claim 3, wherein the emulsifying agent is at least one selected from the group consisting of a sucrose fatty acid ester, a glycerol fatty acid ester, a propylene glycol fatty acid ester, a sorbitan fatty acid ester and an enzymatically decomposed lecithin.